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NAIROBI FOR PEACE CORPS

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE OFFER TO ZANZIBAR OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS

1. AS ACTION KNOWS FROM CONVERSATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN DELLENBACK AND AMBASSADOR COMMENCING IN 1975, EMBASSY HAS BEEN UNABLE TO DISCOVER ANY INDICATIONS OF INTEREST BY THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT IN HAVING THE PEACE CORPS RETURN TO MAINLAND TANZANIA (TANGANYIKA), WHERE PEACE CORPS FORMERLY HAD MUCH APPRECIATED PROGRAMS. HOWEVER, RECENTLY EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF ZANZIBAR, A RATHER AUTONOMOUS PART OF TANZANIA. WE WOULD NOT RULE OUT RESPONDING TO ZANZIBARIS WITH SUGGESTION OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS. BEFORE HAVING CONSUL HALSTED IN ZANZIBAR DISCUSS POSSIBILITY WITH AUTHORITIES THERE, REQUEST WASHINGTON RESPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. NAIROBI PEACE CORPS COMMENTS ALSO INVITED.

A. EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT ORIGINAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN USG AND TANGOV COVERING FORMER PRESENCE OF PEACE CORPS IN TANZANIA IS STILL VALID AND WOULD APPLY TO ZANZIBAR. HOWEVER, EMBASSY FILES DO NOT CONTAIN ANY PEACE CORPS DOCUMENTATION INCLUDING THIS AGREEMENT. REQUEST WASHINGTON COMMENT ON THIS ASSUMPTION AND CABLE FULL TEXT OF AGREELIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MENT.

- B. ZANZIBARIS HAVE SPECIFICALLY ASKED US FOR PRODUCTION AGRONOMIST WHOSE ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS THEY WISH TO SCRUTINIZE BEFORE APPROVING. AGRONOMIST WILL BE CONCERNED PRINCIPALLY WITH CORN. MILLET AND SORGHUM ALSO INVOLVED BUT TO CONSIDERABLY ESSER EXTENT. HOW LONG WOULD IT TAKE PEACE CORPS TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL WITH THESE QUALIFICATIONS?
- C. ZANZIBARIS HAVE REQUESTED MUSEUM CURATOR TO CATALOGUE AND REORGANIZE EXHIBITS IN ZANZIBAR MUSEUM. WHAT IS LEAD TIME BETWEEN FORMAL REQUEST FOR PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER WITH THESE QUALIFICATIONS AND PROBABLE ARRIVAL TIME?
- D. ZANZIBARIS SOME TIME AGO REQUESTED PROGRAM PRODUCER AS WELL AS A 16 MM FILM AND VIDEOTAPE SPECIALIST TO DO BOTH FILMING AND PROCESSING FOR THEIR COLOR TELEVISION STATION. WHILE REQUEST NOT RECENTLY RENEWED, INTEREST MAY REMAIN. WHAT WOULD BE LEAD TIME FOR ARRIVAL OF QUALIFIED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER?
- E. ZANZIBARIS HAVE MADE GENERAL REQUEST FOR BRITISH RPT BRITISH VOLUNTEERS TO TEACH SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE. WHAT ARE PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER CAPABILITIES AND AVAILABILITIES IN THIS AREA?
- 2. AS WASHINGTON AGENCIES AWARE, THERE IS A GOOD DEAL OF SUSPICION AND DOUBT IN TANZANIA, INCLUDING ZANZIBAR, CONCERNING US ACTIONS AND INTENTIONS. ACCORDINGLY, IF WASHINGTON WISHES US TO INDICATE TO ZANZIBAR AUTHORITIES THAT PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS MIGHT BE AVAILABLE TO MEET SOME OF THEIR REQUESTS, EMBASSY WOULD PROCEED IN LOW-KEYED MANNER TO AVOID REVIVING POLITICAL PROBLEMS WHICH CONTIRIBUTED TO EARLIER DEPARTURE OF PEACE CORPS.
- 3. SPECIFICALLY, WE HAVE IN MIND THAT THERE WOULD BE NO VISIT BY HIGH-LEVEL WASHINGTON OFFICIALS TO ZANZIBAR TO LAUNCH PROGRAM. WE ALSO DO NOT WISH TO SEE PEACE CORPS OFFICE ESTABLISHED IN DAR ES SALAAM OR ZANZIBAR. EMBASSY WOULD APPROVE NAIROBI PEACE CORPS OFFICE UNDERTAKE ARRANGEMENTS AND INITIAL INSERTION OF ONE OR TWO VOLUNTEERS WITH REQUIRED ON THE GROUND SUPPORT RENDERED BY AMCONSUL ZANZIBAR.

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- 4. EMBASSY WOULD KEEP TANGOV IN DAR ES SALAAM INFORMED OF ZANZIBAR ARRANGEMENTS FOR PEACE CORPS. WE DO NOT AT THIS TIME BELIEVE TANGOV WOULD OBJECT TO ANY AGREEMENTS MADE BETWEEN USG OFFICIALS AND ZANZIBAR AUTHORITIES.
- 5. IN VIEW OF WELL-KNOWN EVIDENCE OF TANGOV AND ZANZIBAR AUTHORITIES INTERCEPTING AND GREVIOUSLY MISUNDERSTANDING USG COMMUNICATIONS, REQUEST ALL ADDRESSEES MAINTAIN LOU CLASSIFICATION ON THIS SUBJECT

UNLESS EMBASSY ADVISES NOT NEEDED.

6. PLEASE ADVISE.
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